

The Hongkong Telegraph.

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MONDAY, AUGUST 14, 1893.

SIX DOLLARS
PER QUARTER

Banks.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorised Capital £1,000,000
Subscribed Capital £500,000

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

Court of Directors:—
D. Gillies, Esq., Chairman.
Chow Tung Shing, Esq.,
Chan Kit Shan, Esq.,
H. Stoller, Esq.,
Chief Manager,
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Branches—London, Yokohama, Shanghai and Amoy.

BANKERS.

The Commercial Bank of Scotland.
Parrs Banking Co., and The Alliance Bank (Ld.)

Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per Cent.
CURRENT ACCOUNTS 3 " 4 " 5 " 6 " 7 " 8 " 9 " 10 " 11 " 12 "

Hongkong, 24th May, 1893.

THE BANK OF CHINA, JAPAN, AND THE STRAITS, LIMITED.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL £2,000,000
CAPITAL CALLED-UP £251,993.15.0

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:—
Wm. Keswick, Esq., Chairman.
Adolf von Andr, Esq.,
Egbert Iverson, Esq.,
David McLean, Esq.,
F. D. Sassoon, Esq.,
H. D. Stewart, Esq.

HONGKONG COMMITTEE:—
The Hon. J. J. Kewick, The Hon. C. P. Chater, H. Hopkin, Esq.

Head Office—3, Princes Street, London.
Branches—Bombay, Calcutta, Hongkong, and Shanghai.

Agencies—Penang, Singapore, and Yokohama.

RATES OF INTEREST.

ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS and Fixed Deposits, can be ascertained on application.

CHANTREY INCHBALD, Manager.

Hongkong, 10th April, 1893.

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL £1,000,000
SUBSCRIBED £1,185,000

BANKERS:—
LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily Balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:—
For 12 Months 5 per cent.
" 6 " 4 " 5 " 3 " 2 " 1 " 6 " 5 " 4 " 3 " 2 " 1 "

JOHN THURBURN, Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 4th February, 1893.

Insurances.

THE STANDARD ENDOWMENT ASSURANCE.

1. AMONG THE MANY ADVANTAGES of this form of Assurance, the following may be mentioned:—

(a)—It secures an immediate Provision for wife and family or other relatives in event of early death.

(b)—It provides a Fund for Retirement.

(c)—It supplies an excellent Investment for the regular accumulation of small fixed sums of money.

(d)—The Surrender and loan values are larger than under ordinary Policies.

2. AFTER THE POLICY HAS BEEN THREE YEARS IN FORCE—should the Policy-holder wish to discontinue future payments—he will be entitled to receive, on application, a FREE PAID-UP POLICY for a proportionate amount of the Sum Assured, as explained in the Prospectus.

Full particulars on application, DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents, STANDARD LIFE OFFICE.

Hongkong, 8th August, 1893.

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED).

CAPITAL, TAELS 500,000 \$835,333.33
EQUAL TO \$318,000.00
RESERVE FUND \$318,000.00

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
LEE SING, Esq., LO YUK MOON, Esq., LOU TSO SHUN, Esq.

MANAGER—HO AMEL.

MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the World.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST, Hongkong, 17th December, 1885.

J. W. KEW & CO'S STEAM WATER BOATS.

PURE FRESH WATER.

THE attention of SHIPWOMEN: Agents and CAPTAINS is called to the Superior Quality of J. W. KEW & Co's, also to the advantages derived from their being able to supply their Water in one-fourth the time occupied by the old fashioned and obsolete hand pumps.

No Impeding the loading or unloading of Cargo.

Quickest despatch with lowest possible rates.

J. W. KEW & Co, c/o Carlisle & Co, Ltd.

Hongkong, 13th June, 1893.

Intimations.

NOTICE.

A SPECIAL SESSIONS of HER MAJESTY'S JUSTICES of the PEACE will be held in the JUSTICE'S Room, at the MAGISTRACY, at Eleven o'clock in the Forenoon TO-MORROW, the 15th day of August, 1893, for the purpose of considering an application from YUNG CHUNG, otherwise WILLIAM YOUNG, for the Transfer to himself of the adjutant Licence now held by A. G. WISE, Esquire, as Official Administrator to the late MARTEN HANSEN, for the Premises known as houses Nos. 21 and 23, Pottinger Street, under the sign of "THE CRITERION RESTAURANT."

H. E. WOODHOUSE, Police Magistrate.

The Magistracy, Hongkong, 14th August, 1893.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this CORPORATION will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 19th day of August next, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 30th June, 1893.

By Order of the Court of Directors, T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 28th July, 1893.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the REGISTERS OF SHARES of this CORPORATION will be CLOSED for SATURDAY, the 19th day of August next, (both days inclusive), during which period no TRANSFER OF SHARES can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors, T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 28th July, 1893.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the OFFICES of the COMPANY, No. 14, TRAVERS ROAD, on MONDAY, the 21st August, at 3 o'clock P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts to the 30th June, 1893.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 7th to the 21st August, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, D. GILLIES, Secretary.

Hongkong, 1st August, 1893.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK AND COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SECOND ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above COMPANY will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, Victoria, Hongkong, on MONDAY, the 21st August, at 3.30 P.M., for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts to 31st December last.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 14th to 21st August, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, FRANK W. WATTS, Manager.

Hongkong, 9th August, 1893.

GYMKHANA.

THE THIRD GYMKHANA MEETING will take place at the HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, the 26th August, commencing at 5 P.M.

EVENTS:—
I.—5 P.M.—FOOT RACE—Europeans, 220 yards.
II.—5.15 P.M.—FOOT RACE—Over 4 flights of Hurdles. 3 Miles. Asiatics.
III.—5.30 P.M.—TENT PEGGING—Ladies' Nomination. Prize kindly presented by H.E. Major-General G. Digby Barker, C.B.
IV.—6 P.M.—HURDLE RACE—For all China Ponies. 3 Miles.
V.—6.20 P.M.—ONE MILE HANDICAP—For all China Ponies. Prize kindly presented by a few Ladies at the Peak. Entries close 19th instant.

Programmes can be obtained on application to the Hon. Sec., Headquarters Office.

A. H. THOMAS, Captain, Hon. Sec.

Hongkong, 12th August, 1893.

STOLEN OR STRAYED.

A BLACK TERRIER PUP with white Spot on chest, answering to "DEVIL" Reward on returning same to Government Civil Hospital.

Hongkong, 11th August, 1893.

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"BENALDER,"

Captain McInosh, will be despatched as above on or about 19th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 9th August, 1893.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"ARGYLL,"

Captain J. C. Williamson, R.N., will be despatched for the above Port on or about SUNDAY, the 20th instant, instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 11th August, 1893.

Intimations.

W. POWELL & CO.

HAVE RECEIVED

A CAPITAL LINE IN

TWINE HAMMOCKS,

SUITABLE FOR DECK OR VERANDAH USE.

W. POWELL & CO.

Hongkong, 8th August, 1893.

KELLY & WALSH, LD.

NOW READY.

PRICE \$2.50.

DOLLARS AND STERLING

EXCHANGE TABLES,

AT DIFFERENT RATES

FROM 2/- TO 3/-

ASCENDING BY ONE SIXTEENTH OF A PENNY.

KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED, PUBLISHERS.

Hongkong, 5th August, 1893.

THE

HONGKONG HOTEL.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS, "Kremlin"—A. B. C. Code.—TELEPHONE, No. 32.

PROPRIETORS.....THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL—the most commodious and best appointed Hotel in the Far East, affords unequalled accommodation to travellers and others. It is situated in the centre of the town, opposite the General Post Office and the Hongkong Club, adjacent to Pedder's Wharf (the principal landing stage of the Colony) and in close proximity to the Banks and Shipping Offices.

THE HOTEL STEAM LAUNCH conveys passengers and baggage to and from all Mail Steamers. THE TABLE D'HOT, as before, is supplied with every delicacy, the quality being under experienced supervision.

THE BED-ROOMS, with adjoining Bath-rooms, are lofty and well ventilated, open on to spacious Verandahs, are lighted by gas and fitted throughout with electric communications. The Reading, Writing and Smoking Rooms, Ladies' Drawing Rooms, the new Bar and public BILLIARD ROOMS (Six English and American Tables) are fitted with every convenience. A handsomely appointed GRILL ROOM, where chops, steaks, &c., are served at any hour adjoins the Hotel, and is under the same Management.

THE WINES & SPIRITS are selected by an Expert and the BEST BRANDS only are supplied. HYDRAULIC ASCENDING-ROOMS of the latest and most approved type convey passengers and baggage from the Entrance Hall to each of the five floors above.

NIGHT PORTERS and WATCHMEN are continually on duty.

R. TUCKER, Manager.

Hongkong, 12th February, 1893.

W. BREWER.

NEW STOCK ARTISTS' MATERIALS.

New Stock Ladies Shoes. Tennis Bats, Balls, Nets, &c. Hand-painted Photo. frames. Photo Albums. Photo Screens. New French Novels.

BOOKS OF TRAVELS.

New Music, 5 pieces for \$1. Badminton, Shooting, Cricket, Fishing, Tennis, Coursing and Falconry, Hunting and Driving. Billiards by Cook. Essays on Naval Defence, Brassey's Naval Annual.

W. BREWER, UNDER HONGKONG HOTEL, QUEEN'S ROAD.

Hongkong, 12th July, 1893.

SHOOTING SEASON 1893!

FOWLING PIECES IN CASES WITH IMPLEMENTS.

MARTIN-HENRI MATCH RIFLES, WINCHESTER CARBINES, COLTS

"LIGHTNING" CARBINES, REVOLVERS.

ELEY'S CARTRIDGE CASES.

METAL COVERED, GREEN, BLUE and BROWN.

CARTRIDGES LOADED WITH (E.C.) or "ALLIANCE" GUNPOWDER.

PIGON, WILKS and LAWRENCE "ALLIANCE" SPORTING POWDER.

NEWCASTLE CHILLED SHOT.

WADS, CAPS, LOADING MACHINES, RE-CAPPERS, CARTRIDGE BELTS AND BAGS, GUN CLEANERS, &c., &c.

JANE CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, 9th August, 1893.

CENTRAL HOTEL, SHANGHAI.

THIS long established SELECT Family Hotel, situated on the Bund, facing the river, in the centre of the Settlements, has lately undergone extensive alterations and is now fitted with the latest modern improvements, including Bath and Dressing Rooms ATTACHED to Suites and Single Rooms, with hot and cold water laid on, DRYICE, SNOWICE SPRAYS, etc., and heated to a comfortable temperature during winter.

SEPARATE ROOMS FOR PRIVATE DINNER PARTIES, &c.

The Electric Lighting now partly laid on will be completed during this year, 1893.

An Assistant will attend on Passengers by Mail Steamers.

N.B.—TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:—"CENTRAL, SHANGHAI."

F. E. REILLY, PROPRIETOR.

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR KOBE AND YOKOHAMA, VIA INLAND SEA.

THE Steamship

"CARDIGANSHIRE,"

Captain Slacock, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 15th instant, at Daylight, instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 14th August, 1893.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

UNDER MAIL CONTRACT WITH THE AUSTRIAN GOVERNMENT.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI AND KOBE.

THE Company's Steamship

"ORION,"

Captain G. Orlando, will leave for the above places TO-MORROW, the 15th instant, at 9 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to C. ZANELLA, Agent.

Hongkong, 14th August, 1893.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship

"ARRATOON APCAR,"

Captain J. E. Hansen, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 17th instant, at 2 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 11th August, 1893.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

FOR NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamship

"SAGAMI MARU,"

will be despatched for the above named Ports on THURSDAY, the 17th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GEO. R. STEVENS, Agent.

Hongkong, 8th August, 1893.

"SHELL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

Steamship "TROCAS,"

Steamship "SPONDILUS,"

Steamship "ELAX,"

Steamship "VOLUTE,"

Steamship "MUREX,"

Steamship "TIRRO,"

Steamship "CONCH,"

Steamship "CLAM,"

Steamship "BULLMOUTH."

FOR HAVRE AND LONDON, Taking Cargo on through Bill of Lading to NEW YORK.

THE Next Sailing will be the Steamship "SPONDILUS,"

via SINGAPORE, on or about 21st August.

To be followed by the Steamship "ELAX."

For Freight, &c., apply to SHEWAN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 28th July, 1893.

N.B.—The Steamers of this Line will be despatched monthly from Hongkong, and offer exceptional advantages to Shippers of perishable cargo, owing to an improved method of ventilation. Copies of reports on out-turn of cargoes may be had on application to the Agents.

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR LONDON AND HAMBURG.

THE Steamship

"MONMOUTHSHIRE,"

Captain Cumling, will be despatched as above on or about SATURDAY, the 26th August.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 28th July, 1893.

SAILING VESSELS.

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 100 A. I. Hawaiian Bark

"FOOHNG SUEY,"

Mahony, Master, will leave here for the above Port and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to SHEWAN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd August, 1893.

FOR NEW-YORK.

THE 3/3 L. L. L. American Bark

"FREEMAN,"

Gerrish, Master, will leave here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to SHEWAN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd August, 1893.

Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"ARRATOON APCAR,"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed, that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after the 14th instant, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into the Godowns of the Warehouse and Storage Company, Limited, Wharfedale.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 11th August, 1893.

Consignees.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM TRIESTE, VENICE, PORT SAID, SUEZ, JEDDAH, SUAKIM, MASSAWAH, HOEDDEA, ADEN, BOMBAY, COLOMBO, PENANG, AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship "ORION"

Intimations.

VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

AERATED WATERS.

WATER.—The Water used is absolutely pure.

STEAM PLANT.—Of the latest and most powerful type.

SUPERVISION.—The whole process of manufacture is under the continuous supervision of a qualified English Chemist.

The PRODUCT.—Will bear comparison with the Waters made by the most noted makers in England.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & Co., LD.,

VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.

CHEMISTS BY APPOINTMENT.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

MANUFACTURERS OF AERATED WATERS.

OUR NEW FACTORY has been recently refitted with automatic Steam Machinery of the latest and most approved kind, and we are well able to compete in quality with the best English makers.

The purest ingredients only are used, and the utmost care and cleanliness are exercised in the manufacture throughout.

"BOMBAY SODAS."

We continue to supply large bottles as heretofore, free of Extra Charge, to those of our Customers who prefer to have them to the ordinary size.

COAST PORT ORDERS, whenever practicable, are despatched by first steamer leaving after receipt of order.

For COAST PORTS, Waters are packed and placed on board ship at Hongkong prices, and the full amount allowed for Packages and Emplies when received in good condition. Counterfeit Order Books supplied free on application.

Our Registered Telegraphic Address is "DISPENSARY, HONGKONG." And all signed messages addressed thus will receive prompt attention.

The following is a List of Waters always kept ready in Stock:

PURE AERATED WATER
SODA WATER
LEMONADE
POTASH WATER
SELTZER WATER
LITHIA WATER
TONIC WATER
LEMON SQUASH
GINGER ALE
RASPBERRYADE
GINGERALE

No Credit given for Bottles that look dirty or greasy, or that appear to have been used for any other purpose than that of containing Aerated Waters, as such Bottles are never used again by us.

A. S. WATSON & Co., LIMITED,
The Hongkong Dispensary, Hongkong.

BIRTH.

On the 14th instant, at 3, Ripon Terrace, Hongkong, the wife of T. DE FARIA-NIVES, of a daughter.

DEATH.

At Yokohama, on the 6th inst., suddenly, ALBERT SCHROEDER, of Shanghai, aged 56 years.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, AUGUST 14, 1893.

TELEGRAMS.

SERIOUS TROUBLE IN BOMBAY.

LONDON, 12th August, 1893. Desperate riots have broken out in Bombay between the Mahomedans and Hindus. All the European and Native troops have been called out.

REUTERS AGENT TO THE FRONT. The Hongkong Agent for Reuters telegraphic service to this colony sent out the following mythical message to subscribers, etc., at 4.15 p.m. on the 13th inst.:

"SILVER DEBATE."

"State the conclusion of the Silver debate yesterday, the House of Representatives votes, firstly for the Silver Bill providing for the free coinage of Silver at increased ratio, and then (to-day) Wilson's Bill was introduced repealing purchase clause in the Sherman Act, but retaining legal tender qualities Silver maintaining the parity of the two Metals."

[The foregoing cablegram may mean a lot or it may mean nothing—it is no doubt intended to enlighten the Far East in regard to something that has or has not taken place—but what that something or nothing is we regret our inability to comprehend. Reuters, as we happen to know, has a code of a more or less comprehensive character, and the Agents of the great Telegraphic Monopoli at the various ports throughout the world are supposed to have at least ordinary intelligence and some slight knowledge of current events in the universal empire of politics and finance. We don't know who transcribes Reuters's cable messages to Hongkong, but whoever he may be, his talents evidently lie in quite another direction, and he ought not to do it any more.—Ed., Hongkong Telegraph.]

LORD DUFFERIN AND THE FRENCH PRESS.

Paris, August 6th. In the proceedings arising out of the *Cocarde* allegations against M. Clemenceau (charging him with treason, and implicating the British Ambassador) M. Monod, the real author of the forged papers produced before the Tribunal by M. Millevoye and alleged to have been dis-

covered at the Embassy, has been sent to gaol for three years by the Assize Court; and M. Ducret, editor of the *Cocarde*, for one year. In a civil suit against the paper, M. Clemenceau was awarded the sum of two (2) francs damages for which he had sued.

THE "AMIGO."

As we go to press (6 p.m.) the steamer *Amigo*, partly refitted, is being slowly moved forward by the Docking Pilot *Hik* and the P. & O. tug *Dragon*.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

H.M.S. *Swift* arrived at Singapore from Bangkok on the 6th inst.

Mrs. Jay—What is your ideal of a woman? Berlia Blot—A rich brewer's widow!

The Halphong Freemasons have nearly completed a splendid new lodge-building.

ANYBODY can work, says the *Milwaukee Journal*, but it takes brains to make work count. What do you think, Brownie?

The returns of the number of visitors to the City Hall Museum for the week ended August 13th are:—Europeans, 162; Chinese, 1,735; total, 1,897.

Rece—Does Mr. Verdull know anything? Lillian—Know anything! He doesn't even suspect anything.

The half-yearly report of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co. is published in another part of this issue. We hope to deal with its salient features later on.

WING SHING, a coolie charged with murder in Chinese jurisdiction a month ago, was brought up in the police court this morning and formally remanded for a week.

Little Birdie—My mamma says that she has your papa on a string. Little Gerlie—That's what my mamma says about your papa.

The Occidental and Oriental Steamship Company's liner *Belgic* came out of the Cosmopolitan Dock and the Canadian Pacific liner *Empress of China* out of Hongkong Dock this morning.

The Peddler's Bill "Sawley-yows" and the Hongkong Hotel Refinement Commissioners have owing to a great rush of interesting news, been mercifully granted a respite until tomorrow.

The French colonies are far ahead of us in combating small-pox. During a tour of 25 days in Hongkong province, Tonkin, a Government medical officer named Hammeur vaccinated over 24,000 natives last month.

The Halphong *Courier* of the 10th inst. contains the following item:—"On the 7th inst., eleven phlegm who had fled to report themselves for medical examination were ordered to be lodged in the Government dispensary."

At the Magistrate's day, before Capt. Hastings, a coolie convicted of snatching a bag in Wellington Street on the 10th inst. was sent to gaol for six months, with eighteen lashes on his back; and two men who helped to catch him were released \$2 each.

A STOCKHOLM police authority says the Salvation Army has accomplished more in its struggle with crime and misery than other organizations put together. That Stockholm policeman has never interviewed the Two Dromos of the *Daily Post* nor read the *China Snail*.

FROM *Harp's Bazar*:—M. Schmidt was making the Fourth of July oration. "Mine vileness," said he, "vat for haf our ancestors oft' offendix-six peen viding vor, alseity? Lipperty. Yez, lipperty undt America for Ameriguns. Dot's vat I saye so likewise too. Ameriga vor Ameriguns undt dem vorigens, dey peltter keep away, bretty quick. Vat?" "Hooroo!" cried Mr. Mullooly. "That's the stuff, Schmidt. Thun axiens do be gittin' too fresh. Amerifia for we, ser ol. Hurroo!"

SCOTTON, the well-known Notts professional cricketer, committed suicide on July 6th, by cutting his throat with a razor, at 91, St. John's Wood Terrace, London, where for about ten years he had been a lodger. He was a native of the cricket weaver. Domestic trouble seems to have induced a nervous and mentally depressed condition. While umphing at a match at Clifton the previous week he gave what is said to have been subsequently considered by him a wrong decision, and this fact increased the mental disorder which is supposed to have impelled him to take his own life.

The great canal system of France is stated at 8,000 miles, of which 650 miles are tidal; 2,100 miles are navigable without artificial works; 2,250 miles are canalized rivers, and 3,000 miles are canals. All but 560 miles of this network are under the care and control of the Government, and are free from tolls. France has extensive and are free from inland waterways about 3,000,000 for construction and purchase, and \$300,000,000 for concessions. The cost of maintenance is about \$1,600,000 annually, an average of \$325 per mile, which covers all expenditures of every nature and nature.

VEGETARIANS allege that it is a popular fallacy that meat is needed for strength. One prominent exponent of the faith says it is a fact that the strongest animals in the world are vegetarian and not carnivorous. It is the ferocity of the lion rather than his strength that makes him formidable. An elephant is a match for several lions, and is a vegetarian. The animals with most speed and endurance—the horse, the deer, the antelope, and others—are also vegetarians. Dog trainers, remarks this authority, always feed their trick animals on a strictly vegetarian diet, and many hunters do the same thing.

A LADIES' club in London recently debated the question whether women should marry. The lady who opened the argument thought it unsafe to marry unless a woman finds a perfect man, but she did not define that sort of creature, so that the intelligent could go in search. She was, however, answered by Mrs. Sheldon Ames, who said that an ordinary woman wedded to a perfect man would be in a very trying position. The practice of spilling husbands by the "lucency of love" (a variation of Featly's "lucency of love") was strongly condemned, but at least some one was to be rescued with the altruistic reason that women should marry "for the sake of the men," poor things!

WUCHANG advises received in Shanghai report that the Governor-General of Hukang, Chang Kai-sung, has decided to open the Bitumous Coal mines of Chiyangshan, Hunan, which are reported to be able to produce excellent fuel, which is urgently needed at the Haanyang Smelting Works and at the Cotton Cloth and other Mills. On the evening of the 26th ult. his Excellency paid a visit to the Cotton Cloth Mills outside the city of Wuchang, and was so much pleased at the quality of the cloth manufactured there, that he made a complimentary speech to the Superintendent Engineer, Mr. Morris, which was translated into English by his Excellency's Secretary, Tsai Tsai. The entire work was illustrated with the electric light, and the Vice-regal party having gone over the whole place, left at a late hour of the night.

HAIPHONG is shortly to have a municipal band. What police Hongkong?

Berlin Blot—Dose cigars cost me nothing! Old Soak—Well, they are just about worth it.

Up to latest advices (10th August) the floods were still at their height in many parts of Tonkin.

Missionary—What do you think of the power of sympathy? Miss Gladly—I think fellow-feeling should not be allowed to go too far!

LONDON advises state that the Industrial Tax Bill has been passed by the Upper House in spite of a friendly protest made on behalf of the British Government. Poor Lusitania!

The Agents (Messrs. Dodwell, Carill & Co.) inform us that the steamship *Rankow* left Singapore yesterday for this port, and is due on or about the 19th inst.

Editor of Daily Small—Next month I shall make over paper much more interesting! Wix—How so? Editor—By putting in pictorial advertisements.

THE P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer *City of New York*, which left this port for San Francisco on July 12th, via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu, arrived at her destination on the 12th inst.

THE *Courier d'Haiphong* states that M. Fretsch, a customs officer at Son-tay, and Mme. Fretsch, were last week attacked in their house, presumably by smugglers intent on revenge, and have had to be taken to the hospital.

It is announced that two residents of Nagasaki, Messrs. L. D. Lessner and M. Glasberg, and Mr. D. Sassoon of Shanghai, have bought a place of ground and dedicated it as a Jewish Cemetery, for the benefit of the eight members of the Hebrew community in Nagasaki.

"THIS HUNT" said the learned phenologist—no, it wasn't Sydney B. J. Garbag—"Indicates that you are of a combative disposition." "You are right," said the subject. "It indicates that my wife is of a combative disposition. That's where she hit me with a hairbrush this morning."

MAJOR GRAY, Inspector General of Prisons in Singapore, will shortly retire. We would have sent Mitchell-Jones to fill the vacant job, but the Colonel Office authorities, with their usual lack of appreciation of the fitness of things, have "jobbed" in a military officer who is quite tired of active service, don't you know!

Janke—What shall I do? I've failed in every calling.

Lawyer—Become a laborer!

Janke—But I'm too weak and tired.

Lawyer—Enlist in the Army?

Janke—But I'm a coward.

Lawyer—Ah, see. You're just the man for a professional pugilist!

THUS our world-famous sarcastic friend Annot Reid in the *Strait Times*:—Mr. Cox, who was recently appointed to be Chief Justice of the Straits, is understood to have been born in Mauritius. He is probably about fifty years of age. Having regard to the habits of Mauritians it is a very feared that the new Chief Justice may not be a golfer.

OUR Shanghai morning contemporary reports that G. Williams, a tide-waiter in the Imperial Maritime Customs at Kiangling, has been sentenced to two months' imprisonment for shooting at passing Chinamen with an air-gun from his verandah. Three natives proved slight wounds, but the women were much shocked. Some amount of feeling among the Chinese, and might easily have led to a riot.

It is gratifying to learn that the newly organized band of the Hongkong Regiment is making wonderfully rapid progress under the able management of Mr. Murphy, S. L. I. A reinforcement of experienced musicians is, we believe, coming out from India. The question is—Can they be stopped without unnecessary gore being shed? Kowloon residents who can't sleep are on the war-path.

The question whether speculative transactions on the Stock Exchange came within the Gaming Act of last year was raised in a case before Justice Cave and Wright in the London courts on the 11th ult. A Mr. Reaveley had brought an action to recover differences from a Mr. Nicolopulo, and a Judge in Chambers had allowed the plaintiff to proceed on condition of his paying \$5,000 into court. The defendant appealed, and contended that the plaintiff was barred from recovering by the new Gaming Act, which, however, the plaintiff submitted, was directed against lot commission transactions. Mr. Justice Cave said the point was too important to be decided now, and the case must go for trial. The appeal was allowed, with costs.

THE death of Mr. L. C. Martin, says the *San Francisco Gazette* of June 28th, and a conclusion to the Zanabhar history of the ill-fated New Oriental Bank Corporation, Ltd., which has cost the lives of five of its six representatives in Zanabhar. The Branch was opened in December 1890 and its misfortunes commenced with the death of Mr. Douglas (accountant) in February 1891, followed in the succeeding month by the deaths of Mr. Harrower (manager) and Mr. Remus (assistant). For about ten days the Bank had no representatives of its own here, and in such rapid succession. Mr. McKies and Mr. Stewart arrived, however, in April, but the former gentleman only survived for a few months, dying in August. Mr. Martin came down from Adeo to fill the vacant position, and continued the management of the Bank here until his suspension in June last year. Mr. Stewart returned home a few weeks ago, and Mr. Martin's death from exhaustion, resulting from frequent attacks of *douglas fever*, is the latest deplorable incident in the history of the Agency.

CHEMICALLY, says the *Medical Age*, the apple is composed of vegetable fibre, albumen, sugar, gum, chlorophyll, malic acid, gallic acid, lime and much water. Furthermore the German analysis says that the apple contains a larger percentage of phosphorus than any other fruit or vegetable. The phosphorus is admirably adapted for renewing the essential nervous matter, lecithin of the brain and spinal cord. It is, perhaps, for the same reason, rudely understood that old Scandinavian traditions represent the apple as the food of the gods who, when they felt themselves to be growing feeble, resorted to this fruit for renewing their powers of mind and body. Also, the seeds of the apple are of signal use for men of sedentary habits, whose lives are sluggish in action, those aids serving to eliminate from the body noxious matters which if retained would make the brain heavy and dull, or bring about jaundice or skin eruptions and other allied troubles. Some such an experience must have led to our custom of taking apple sauce with roast pork, rich goose, and like dishes. The malic acid of ripe apples, either raw or cooked, will neutralize any excess of chalky matter engendered by eating too much meat. It is also the fact that such fresh fruits as the apple, pear, and the plum, when taken ripe and without sugar, diminish acidity in the stomach rather than provoke it. Their vegetable nature, and juices are converted into alkaline carbonates, which tend to counteract acidity.

A CURIOUS list has recently been made of the kings and emperors of Europe who have been overtaken by misfortune. It appears that 364 have been ousted from their thrones, 108 have been condemned to death and executed, 21 have committed suicide, 34 are on record as having been placed under restraint in consequence of insanity, 25 have been ordered to death and 25 have been officially declared to have been assassinated. The number of monarchs who are suspected of having been assassinated is infinitely greater. It will be seen from this that the possession of a throne is not without some extremely objectionable and disagreeable features.

AT THE FAIR.

"Would you like to be told How to gather up gold?" Said the indigent man, with a bow. "I've a leaning that way," Said the millionaire pay; "The question that puzzles is—how?" "I've a neat little plan," Said the indigent man. "I'll tickle you almost to death; Simply bottle a share Of the freest of air. To be sold at a dollar a breath."

—Washington Star.

At the Magistrate's day, before Capt. Hastings, So Ki, keeper of a coffee-shop at 18 Graham Street, was fined \$75 for selling intoxicating liquors without a licence. Mr. Denay defended. It was proved that P. C. McKillop, in plain clothes, was invited into the house by a half-caste girl known as "Mary Jane," and was supplied with whisky for which he paid. He then went out and got a corporal in the Shop-skins Regiment to go to the house, and whisky was again sold. The evidence was conclusive, and the Magistrate paid the fine, of which \$5 went to the Corporal. And the Corporal is a second-class drunk and P. C. McKillop is anything but a credit to his country. This reformer swindle has gone far enough.

THE Vulcan match factory at Tidsaholm, Sweden, is said to be the largest of its kind in the world. It employs over 1500 hands and manufactures daily one and a quarter million boxes of matches. The yearly output requires one million cubic feet of wood, 785,000 pounds of paper and 322,000 pounds of iron filings for pasting the boxes. One of the machines at this factory is capable of producing daily a million boxes of matches. The machine receives the raw material in the shape of blocks of wood at one end and after a while gives up at the other the matches completely arranged in boxes and ready to be distributed to all parts of the world. Recent statistics show the annual production of boxes of matches to be as follows: Russia, 14,425,000,000; Germany, 10,550,000,000; England, 12,235,000,000; France, 11,523,000,000; Austria, 8,689,000,000; Italy, 8,230,000,000. It is calculated that various states of Europe, Asia and America produce no fewer than 150,000,000,000 of matches in a single year.

An English mercantile genius has devised a method of indicating and stopping a leak by the use of compressed air. He divides a ship into air-tight compartments fitted with doors provided with packing material and connected by tubes with a room on deck, called a "switch-room." In this room is a junction chest supplied with compressed air from fixed or portable compressors, and so arranged that the air can be delivered to any of the compartments. Other tubes lead from the compartment from which water can be forced out when required, and electric indicators are also connected with the switch-room to indicate the accumulation of water in any of the compartments. Should the vessel "spring a leak," the indicator will show which compartment is being flooded, so that the compressed air may be forced in to drive the water out. The invention also indicates the means for indicating the position of a sunken ship, this being accomplished by means of a buoy connected to a coiled rope. To refloat the vessel a diver can descend and connect the junction chest with the various compartments, so that by supplying compressed air the water will be ejected and the vessel floated. Other objects of the invention are the prevention of fire and means for extinguishing the same, and also for ventilating the cargo.

A MASTERPIECE in mechanical construction, says the *English Mechanic*, has been built in Glasgow, in the shape of a vertical and horizontal planing machine for the use of marine engineers and others when ordinary planing machines are insufficient. This machine consists of a heavy bed-plate of box section forming the work table, and carrying, when needed, a compressed air cylinder and a circular table, the motions of which can be made self-acting. For horizontal planing the vertical column which carries the tool is driven by two horizontal screws connected by bevel gears; and in vertical planing the tool is traversed up and down this column by a vertical screw, driven by bevel gearing below the driving nuts which run on these screws are very long and completely envelop the screws, thus having ample wearing surfaces; the tool saddle is balanced by a weight inside the column, supported by vertical chains, and automatic hand feeds are provided both in the case of the saddle and column. The driving is effected through two sets of pulleys, the smaller giving the quick return motion after the cut, and the belt is so arranged that one belt leaves the first pulley before the other begins to drive, thus reducing the wear of the belts. The change of driving from vertical to horizontal can be effected instantaneously.

RETURNING to the four American yachts that will meet in the trial races in September and contend for the honor of defending the "America's" cup, the *New York Spirit of the Times* says:—"The four cup defenders have now been launched, the *Yankee*, the *Edith*, being the last to leave the ways. Therefore a general description of their distinctive characteristics may not be without interest. In design and type each boat has distinctive marks, and represents the original ideas of the yacht designers that have succeeded to the mantle of the late Mr. Burgess. The *Colonia*, the Rogers' syndicate Cup defender, is the out-and-out keel representative. She may best be described as an enlarged edition of the *Wasp*, the most successful yacht of last season. The *Vigilant*, the Morgan-Johns boat, is a centre-board and will carry more canvas than any of the Cup defenders. Both of these yachts were designed and built by the Harrahoffs of Bristol, R. I. The third of the quartet to be launched was the *Pilgrim*, the Stewart and Binney representative, which may best be described as of the extreme finkeel type. The last of the four to be put into the water was the *Edith*, designed by John B. Payne, the son of General Payne, the most famous of all American yachtsmen. She, too, is unique, and can be accurately described must be called a "ballast centre-board." The dimensions of the four cup defenders are as follows:—

NAME.	Type.	Length.	Beam.	Depth.
Colonia	Keel	128	24	16
Vigilant	C. B.	128	20	14
Edith	C. B. fin	120	22	13
Pilgrim	F. keel	123	20	22

Miss Slowboy—Which do you prefer, Scotch or Irish?

Old Soak—The one I am drinking at the time.

At the Magistrate's day, before Mr. Woodhouse, Chang King Tong, house-boy, who has been several times brought up on remand charged with stealing a watch and chain and \$25 from Mr. H. O. Palmer, of the *Daily Press*, was ordered to be discharged from custody, as there was no evidence against him.

THE work of erecting an electric light-house at Penmark, near Fleisier in France, will shortly be commenced. Several years ago Mme. Davoust d'Elmuhl died, leaving a large sum of money for this purpose. The lighthouse will measure 210 feet in height, and will be built entirely of granite. It will be ornamented with a bronze statue of Marshal Davoust, the father of the donor.

ORCHID hunting in the tropics occasionally leads to strange adventures. M. Hamelle, who has sent the most valuable specimens ever received in England, while recently searching in the woods of Madagascar, had for a guide the brother of Chief Mayombosa. The guide was killed by a lion, and Hamelle returned alone. After his recital the late chief gave him the option of marrying the widow or being greased and burned alive. He chose the lesser evil, but complied with marriage a contract by which the chief undertakes to close his lands to all other orchid seekers.

THE *Calcutta Statesman* of July 18th says:—"It will be remembered that during the late cyclone the British ship *Glangarry*, which left Calcutta a few days previous to the storm, was driven into Coconada, and was in a hopeless condition that her commander (Captain Barrow) and crew abandoned her, when apparently the only prospect of saving themselves lay in the offer of the Captain of the French mail steamer *Eridan* to take them off. The story of their gallant rescue by a boat's crew of the *Eridan* has already been told in these columns and need not be repeated. Shortly after the wreck was abandoned the weather began to moderate, and two days afterwards the British India steamer *Eridan* fell in with the *Glangarry* and towed her into Coconada. The hull was uninjured, and what was left of the vessel was sound, and was not water-logged, and the cargo was safe. As soon as the news of the safety of the vessel reached Calcutta, Captain Barrow left for Coconada to take over charge of the vessel and to arrange to bring the wreck up to Calcutta. He arranged for a Lascar crew, and with their assistance and local appliances has managed to rig up jury masts which will enable the crew to hoist the vessel and tow her to Calcutta. He telegraphed the completion of his arrangements to Calcutta on Saturday and asked for the services of a steam tug to bring the vessel up to this port. In response to this request the tug *Dalkoush* has been despatched to Coconada, and it is expected that the *Glangarry* will be docked in Calcutta within the next few days. Her cargo is still in her hold, but on that and on the vessel Messrs. Mackinnon, Mackenzie and Company, have a very heavy salvage claim." This is quite a romance of the sea, but the *Hongkong Telegraph* wants to know what cause Capt. Barrow can show for not losing his master's certificate for life, for deserting a sound ship in an apparently safe position, because she was in temporary difficulties.

COLONIAL COURT OF ADMIRALTY.

(Before Chief Justice Fielding Clarke.)

August 14th.

THE "PROSPERITY" AGAIN.

Peter Hean sued the owners or agents of the steamship *Prosperity* for cost of passage home. Mr. H. E. Pollock, instructed by Mr. Wright (Mr. V. H. Deacon's office) appeared for the plaintiff. The owners of the vessel did not appear, leave having been given to plaintiff to proceed *ex parte*.

Plaintiff stated that he had been engaged under the articles of the ship as chief-engineer for two years, to expire in January, 1893, at some British or Channel port. He had, however, stayed on longer, at the owners' request. He had been paid his wages in full by the captain up to the time then, but was not now under any permanent engagement. He claimed the amount of a second-class fare home and reasonable pay during the time of such passage.

His lordship:—But if you can get an engagement on a homeward-bound ship you would not be entitled to anything more from the *Prosperity*. Plaintiff:—In that case I would return the money.

In reply to his lordship, the plaintiff said he was not under any engagement now, and that he was to day, and might have to leave the *Prosperity* at a moment's notice. He was not on the articles. The vessel was lying at Wanchai at present, and was intended to run to Singapore and Amoy; not to England at all. He wished to go home about the middle of next month by a "Glen" liner, which would take about 40 days on the voyage; a second-class passage would be \$35. There was practically no chance of getting a suitable engagement to work his passage home as chief engineer.

His lordship:—Of course, a plaintiff is only entitled to recover cost of passage home if he is compelled to go home as passenger, but not if he can get work, or if he does not go home. Plaintiff also claimed \$200 for necessities supplied to the ship—25 tons of coal paid for by him at Saigon when the vessel ran short on her last voyage to Hongkong, and some of the vessel again ran short of fuel, and some of the cargo (rice) had to be used to keep up steam to get into port.

Captain Farrand, late master of the *Prosperity*, gave corroborative testimony. E. C. Ellis, solicitor in Mr. Deacon's office, stated that he served the Registrar with documents referring to the case, as he was then in possession of the ship.

F. A. Hensland, marshal of the Colonial Court of Admiralty, stated that the *Prosperity* was sold by him at auction in 1892 for \$40,500. His lordship gave judgment for \$225 passage, 40 days wages at £18 per month (to be paid at the rate of the day), and \$200 for the coal supplied, with interest at 8 per cent. from the date of getting the coal, and costs of the case.

In reply to his lordship, the Registrar said there would be no danger of prior claims leaving too little to satisfy the judgment.

THE "VICTORIA" ENTERTAINMENT.

There was a very large and appreciative audience in the Theatre Royal, City Hall, on Saturday night, when the amateurs of H.M.S. *Victor Emanuel*, assisted by two or three Hongkong gentlemen, gave the first of their entertainments in aid of the *Victoria Relief Fund*. The programme began with a Christy Minstrel show, excellently arranged and not overdone. A full chorus of "Tara," with a number of other songs, gave an admirable rendering of a negro melody. "Down the River," which was really sweet and impressive. After a little of the usual *Melode* and Burgeis business, judiciously reduced to a minimum, came the plantation song "Some day

I'll wander back again," with chorus, which was rendered with exquisite expression. Mr. G. Vowles scored a great success when he described "That happy valley where the Ool' lads sing." The song "Hark, the drum!" is a difficult piece both in the vocal and instrumental parts, with a very striking and original theme for cornet, and a magnificent *crescendo* "The trumpet sounds," there has hardly been time enough for the company to get a perfect grasp of it, but as it was rendered on Saturday there was sufficient indication that with a very little more practice it will be a remarkably fine production. Until perfect familiarity is attained in such high-class music, expression must necessarily suffer, and in this case, though the vocalist, Mr. Harris, and the orchestra seemed to have an adequate conception of the spirit of the piece, there was still a little difference in their expression, which whoope to be removed on Wednesday. "Hark, the drum!" is a curious one of the finest compositions of its class ever performed in the East. The succeeding items on the programme were of an essentially popular nature, and secured constant and vociferous applause.

Last of all came the *tableaux-vivants*. As far as our recollection serves us, Hongkong has never previously been favoured with anything worthy of special note in this line; and the brilliant recital attained now is therefore the more astonishing. Three scenes were arranged, representing first the death of H.M.S. *Victory*, next the battle, and finally the death of Nelson. The scenery was the work of Mr. W. Farrand, a "gold stager" with many years of professional experience, which must have contributed immensely to the success of the arrangements. The *Victor Emanuel* company supplied the figures, and probably no better set of men could have been found anywhere; while Mr. South, in addition to working like a Trojan as stage manager, represented Nelson himself. With such willing workers, in a field especially suited to them, and under such capable and energetic management, there was not a single detail of the staging, dressing, or general mounting of the scenes which could apparently be improved. The best arrangement for *table*

